

RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES – October 29, 2015 (approved 1/27/16)

ATTENDING: Sheldon Dyer, Michael Gerald, Howard Raphaelson, Darren Cook
STAFF: Jay O'Keefe, Curt Vincente
GUESTS: Sharry Goldman

- A. Call to Order –Chairman S. Dyer called the meeting to order at 7:34pm. Visitor Sharry Goldman was introduced. S. Dyer recognized S. Goldman and provided her an opportunity to express concern she had about an annual event sponsored by Parks and Recreation. S. Goldman reviewed some history of the Annual Father/Daughter Valentines Dance and her concern about how it is promoted and labelled. C. Vincente and J. O'Keefe both added to the history of the program and its intent. After considerable discussion, RAC members agreed that the program has been successful, popular, and a valuable special event that residents have come to enjoy. Staff was asked to revisit the program title and description. This will be done at the next staff program team meeting.
- B. Approval of Minutes – H. Raphaelson moved and M. Gerald seconded that the minutes from the July 22, 2015 meeting be approved and the motion passed unanimously.
- C. Co-Sponsorship Update – nothing new to report.
- D. Old Business – C. Vincente gave a brief update on membership, facility usage and discussed current marketing campaigns, noting that the membership continues to be sustained over 2,100. C. Vincente provided a brief update on the Fee Waiver program, noting that the impact of the Fee Waivers on the Parks and Recreation Fund became greater than anticipated. H. Raphaelson expressed concerns about the program as it was modified last year. C. Vincente provided brief updates on current park projects, specifically the new playground that was just completed behind the Community Center. A brief status report was also provided on the CSA program. Proposed fee recommendations were presented by staff and discussed in detail. D. Cook moved and M. Gerald seconded to recommend to the Town Council the 5% increase in membership rates, a \$1 across the board increase in daily admission fees and not to recommend the proposed military discount. The motion passed unanimously.
- E. Correspondence – None.
- F. New Business – The spring quarterly report was reviewed. J. O'Keefe provided an overview of summer programs and noted ongoing fall programs. The summer Quarterly Report will be provided at the next meeting. C. Vincente again noted that RAC has a few vacancies, including the one created when F. Musiek resigned. RAC members recommend the appointment of Jim Raynor to replace Frank Musiek.

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43pm.